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Date 3/9/05

I, Carol Szczawinski, state the following under oath:

- I am a Canine Enforcement Officer employed by U.S. Customs and Border 1. Protection, Department of Homeland Security ("Customs"). I became a Canine Enforcement Officer in 1995 after undergoing 13 weeks of training at the Canine Enforcement Training Center in Front Royal, VA.
- I currently handle a seven-year old female, black Labrador Retriever named Rox. 2. I have been working with Rox since January of 2000. Rox is a fully trained and certified Narcotics Detector Dog who has been involved in numerous narcotics seizures. Rox is certified in the detection of marijuana, hashish, heroin, cocaine, methamphetamine, and ecstasy. Other dangerous drugs may also be detected by Rox due to chemical processing similarities.
- Rox's proficiency training is accomplished on a daily basis, with a minimum of 3. four hours per week reserved for non-task related areas. Rox is also a graduate of the Canine Enforcement Training Center in Front Royal, VA. Since graduating, Rox is also required to pass periodic recertification testing, the most recent of which took place in May of 2004. A copy of that certification is attached.
- On June 27, 2004, Rox and I were assigned to Logan International Airport. 4 During our shift that day, Supervisory Customs Inspector James Bailey requested Rox and I to assist in the examination of a black roller type suitcase suspected of containing drugs. Rox alerted to the presence of a narcotic odor coming from the suitcase. The Inspectors probing of the bottom of the suitcase ultimately revealed a white powdery substance, which field tested positive for cocaine.

Signed under the pains and penalties of perjury this given day of February, 2005.

Canine Enforcement Officer Customs and Border Protection

Department of Homeland Security



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Interoffice Memorandum

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TO:

Director, Field Operations

Boston

FROM:

Director, Canine Enforcement Program

Office of Field Operations

SUBJECT:

Certification of Narcotics Detection Capability

The following canine enforcement teams are certified in the detection of heroin, cocaine, marijuana, methamphetamine, ecstasy, and hashish. These detector dogs are the property of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) and certified on May 1, 2004.

Cert #	Dog/Bra	nd #	Customs Officer	<u>Port</u>
04-0335	Freddy	8C-10	Lefebvre, Richard	Boston
04-0336	Rox	7C-55	Szczawinski, Carol	Boston
04-0337	Cosmo	CC-86	Casey, James	Boston
04-0338	Duke	CB-92	Kehlenbeck, Jeffery	Hartford

The above dogs are reliable in the detection of the substances indicated and can also be expected to detect other dangerous drugs due to chemical processing similarities. It is recommended that these teams be routinely used in all work environments.

This memorandum is record that the identified canine enforcement teams have successfully passed all the CBP canine narcotic detection training tests at a level that well exceeds the preponderance of the evidence standard used in judicial proceedings. This document may be released in criminal discovery proceedings.

If any further assistance or information is required, I may be contacted at

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